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THOSE PHILATELIC MAPS

Over 500 congratulatory letters have been received since I've started to send these out. Many of the letters claim these are one of the finest philatelic aids ever introduced. Perhaps. Am not particularly satisfied with the first set of maps turned out but the second group now ready for distribution is a vast improvement.

The idea is quite simple. Many a collector has wanted maps of the various countries he is interested in, to illustrate his collection all the better. One can cut up an atlas, it's true, but it's a messy job and looks like it, no matter how one dresses up an atlas map. One can draw a map but it does take at least half a day to produce even a single map and if colors are desired, well most of us just forget about the whole business.

What I supply are neat uniform size maps specially hand drawn for collectors and printed on an offset lithographic press in from 4 to 7 colors! They are small enough to fit on any album page. At present am not printing them in any particular order but later on will have them available in sets such as all the British Colonies, French Colonies, Western Hemisphere, etc., etc. In fact the program calls for an eventual 800 different maps, available in any grouping desired at a very low cost! Such sets will only be available to subscribers.

I have invested $12,000.00 in proper printing equipment, etc., plus two hours daily to produce these things (it takes 8 solid hours to make the printing plates for just a single country map) and invite both collectors and dealers to support this venture. One look at these Philatelic Maps and the possibilities become apparent. It is only necessary to read the very many enthusiastic letters I am getting daily to realize that here is a device that will greatly increase interest in our hobby.

The cost is $1.00 per year and for this yearly sum each subscriber will get 60 different maps the first year and 100 or more, succeeding years. I hope to complete the program in about five years. Actually the maps are sent free as in addition I also send to each subscriber one or more worthwhile stamps which in themselves are worth $1.00 upwards. Present subscribers are getting stamps that are worth several dollars.

Later on subscribers will have the chance to buy the maps at a nominal figure in sets as desired. After all, any collector can use more than just one of a kind. Those received monthly, which do not fit in with any collector's needs, should be saved and presented to some junior collector.

Remittances should be in the form of a dollar bill. None of these new U.S. postal notes as they are not cashable in Canada.

The Philatelic Maps are sent out monthly and with them come other informative circulars or various offers. Collectors joining now, will start with the first set. No unsolicited approvals are sent out at any time.

Might mention here that it would pay any collector to get on my mailing list service, even if the idea of Philatelic Maps arouses no interest. This is but one of several projects I have lined up. Sometime this autumn will commence work on a rather ambitious plan, something that will develop probably more interest than these maps.

I've a vast stock of stamps and am always buying more but it's difficult to choose on some specific offer so those who subscribe to the above are also invited to send an extra $1.00 to $100.00 and to state what they are most interested in. Don't send specific want lists, just a general outline. If I feel I have something worthwhile to send out, it will be sent and tip top value is guaranteed. If nothing is available prompt refund is made as no credit slips are issued unless a customer wishes me to hold the money till something in his line comes along.

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GERMANY SURRENDERS

The long awaited word of V-E Day (Victory in Europe) arrives as our last formes go to press, May 7th. Germany has surrendered unconditionally. A little red school house in Reims, France, was the scene of the historic event. With the war against the Nazis won, may the winning of the peace be as successfully accomplished.

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IN MEMORIAM

With the passing of Franklin D. Roosevelt, President of the United States, April 12th, philately lost a foremost collector, and the world a stateman of renown. Canada joins U. S. friends in sorrow for their loss.

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A Definition, Some References and Some Extracts

by Dr. Alfred Whitehead, F.R.C.O.

To the Editor:

In view of a paragraph on p. 26 of your April number, attacking an article of mine in the February "POPULAR STAMPS", it may interest your readers to consider the following definition taken from Adeline's "ART DICTIONARY", published by Virtue, London; a standard work.

> "STATE: The condition of an engraved or etched plate before it is entirely finished. In the case of some engravings (or etchings) we have proofs of the 1st. state, the 2nd. state, the third state and so on as the plate nears completion (at the hands of the artist). When the plate is completely finished and ready to be printed from it is said to be in its final state."

Note:—The term "state" is applied alike to line-engraving and etching. May I add that Ernst Neumann, one of Canada finest etchers, assures me that reputable etchers do not strengthen the lines of worn copper plates so as to obtain more prints. Such plates are at once defaced or otherwise destroyed. The term "state", then, is not properly applied to impressions from worn plates. I had always known this and was glad to have it confirmed by such an authority.

I now list references to famous philatelic works where the term "state" is freely used when speaking of plates and the stamps printed from them. It would come with considerable surprise to eminent writers to hear that their use of this admirable term would be thought "confusing and misleading to the study of stamps from steel plates".

THE LINE-ENGRAVED POSTAGE STAMPS OF GREAT BRITAIN, by Edward Denny Bacon, M.V.O. (later Sir E. D. Bacon), President of the R.P.S.L., 1920, Vol. 1, pp. 77, 78, etc.

THE PLATING OF THE PENNY BLACK POSTAGE STAMP OF GREAT BRITAIN, by Charles Nissen and Bertram McGowan.

The use of the term "state" in this masterpiece is so plentiful as to enable the searcher to find the word almost at will.

The STAMPS OF GREAT BRITAIN, by J. B. Seymour, Part 1 (The author is generally regarded as the greatest philatelist in present-day Europe).

The term may be found many, many times. See pp. 58, 59, 63, 64, 65, 71, etc., etc.

GREAT BRITAIN, TWOPENCE, PLATE NINE, THE PLATE AND ITS REPAIRS, by Dr. H. Osborne.

I know all the important books on British and Canadian stamps; this is undoubtedly the greatest of them all—not in mere bulk, although it is a sizeable volume—but in achievement, in the triumphant marshalling and arrangement of many unknown, unsuspected and abstruse facts. Patient research, modesty of statement, clear writing, and all revealed on every page.

The term "state" is found occasionally in the early sections of the book, but when we come to "Details of the States"—note the word—"of Plate and the Repairs", we are literally deluged with correct employment of this admirable little word. Each stamp described—54 were reentered once, or even twice—is carefully set out as regards State 1, Early Prints; State 1, Late Prints; State 2; State 3 (in some cases).

I have never had the opportunity of studying the stamps of U.S.A.; life is all too short for many desirable things to be undertaken, and so I am not acquainted, to my great loss, with the writings of the giants of American philately. I shall be amazed if I am assured by some responsible person that the admirable term "State" has not already been used by Carrol Chase, Stanley Ashbrooke, et al. If this has been the case they have denied themselves a most useful term which confuses no-one of average intelligence and information.

However, to prove that the term is not confined to English writers (I have not looked up Howes, Jarrett and other writers on Canadian stamps) I will refer to only one German work, the KOHL HANDBUCH, by Dr. Herbert Munk, 11 Auflage, Leiferung 20, p. 488, and probably elsewhere, where "Zustand 1" and "Zustand 3" are to be found.

American references who have access to the rich stores of the Collectors Club Library may verify the above references, I have no doubt.

Sir E. D. Bacon, Charles Nissen, Bertram McGowan, J. B. Seymour, Dr. H. Osborne, Dr. H. Munk—these are honoured names in America as in Europe. In truth I stand with a goodly company.

In the last sentence dealing with my article I was recommended to read Mr. Denton's article on the 2c Numeral stamp of Canada. I read it months ago. It was sent to me by Mr. Denton himself, along with a letter which shows in a very

pleasing manner that he has the modesty of the true student. I hope he will allow me to quote briefly from it: ". . . . I'm very pleased to send my small article on the 2c numeral, altho' I hardly think it will be of any assistance to you . . . ." ". . . . I deliberately omitted a lot of controversial points—**points that could be settled with further work**". (The use of black letters are mine). . . . .I should like to spend an hour or so with you discussing some of the points you mention." ". . . . Re the new die theory: I am not sure of this. . . ." ". . . . **it would be possible to recut the frame lines on the transfer roll**" (for English readers: roller") **"when making up the plates from No. 11 onward."** (black letters are mine; this is a refernece to my suggstion that much of the recutting of the side-lines was done on the rollers, a view I still hold; it would make away with most—not all—of the difficulties with which this most puzzling and complex subject bristles; how puzzling and complex only devoted students able to examine large, very large numbers, know). ". . . .When I come to Montreal I'll bring some plate imprint strips that pose **a few more problems**".

Nothing here suggests that the writer, who has already made an important though brief contribution to the discussion, considers with easy complaisance the subject closed, the problem solved—"further work" needed; "I am not sure . . ."; ". . .a few more problems . . ." These are the words of one who has found himself faced with one of philately's major puzzles, and is honest with himself and his fellow collectors. He would agree with me, I am certain that the puzzle presented by the side-lines of the 2c. numeral, 3-line variety (there are at least FIVE types, with, I believe, three different processes involved) will be unravelled only by a leisured and patient master of philatelic research, and there are all too few of such. No, the riddle is not solved; not yet!

P.S. SKIPPER AT C.P.S.

About 3.30 p.m April 14th we drifted into the Royal York at Toronto to see the C.P.S. in annual meeting. From bell hop directions we unknowingly charted our course to coast into the exhibition room while judging was in progress. From the solemn atmosphere we knew we were in unfamiliar waters until we sailed into a quiet bay where Ed Goodale was plotting a course in the judging assignment. Finding we were cruising about in a problematic sea that was no concern of ours we set sail out of there with as much dignity as possible and landed out in the hall. There we ran into Harry Martin, Jr., and hove to in the lee of the meeting room, proper. A few minutes later Walter Carter (he who was later to capture a mug like the Lipton trophy —given for the best stamp exhibit) joined us. This man Carter is a pretty good story teller and for a time it was no concern of ours as to what was going on beyond the closed door of the meeting room. Such would have continued but for that dean of stamp dealers, he with the long cigar and named John Lowe, made a second trip to insist on our joining the meeting. Thus taking us in tow we landed in port where we were invited to dip our pennant and come to anchor. Cyril Woodhead, as skipper in there, piloted a lot of reports through the shipping lanes—some a bit devious and lengthy, but he did manage to get them all tucked away before the banquet began. Yes, he even made it in time for a brief directors' meeting somewhere, some place in the immensity of that the Empire's largest hotel. What went on there is intimate only to the directors and may only be publicized, if or when, by them. (We had to hunt a telephone about that time). Untangled from that we sailed into the banquet hall—late as usual—but that man Woodhead, not only a gifted talker also sees this, sees that and wouldn't let us sit tete-beche to Ed Goodale. Oh, well, the banquet got along despite our presence. We were a bit peeved because there were no olives at our end of the table for we never feel we've been banquetted unless we can show those darned things we can eat 'em. We ate, we listened; got a kick out of Charles Brisley's relative identification story—saw the song sheets being distributed and beat it—with the president's permission. We don't sing worth a dang—and that's bad. We understand an enjoyable program of music and magic followed our departure—not because we departed—or was it?

A. L. McCready.

A Correction

Mr. B. K. Denton, in a letter elsewhere, points out a typographical error of ours on Toronto (York) post office item in last issue. The date of opening was 1799 and not 1779 as we printed it.

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BY PHIL ATTS.

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I am sure all Canadian collectors will join with me in paying tribute to the late President Franklin D. Roosevelt: in expressing our sorrow at his untimely death: and in extending our deep sympathy toward all our philatelic friends across the border. It was always a matter of great interest to me to know that President Roosevelt was an enthusiastic collector and that this was one of his few hobbies in his later years.

In passing I might add that former Prime Minister R. B. Bennett of Canada had a soft spot in his heart for philatelists: and more recently still former Postmaster General Norman McLarty of Canada is an enthusiastic collector, as well as all members of his family, and during his term of office he took a keen interest in the Canadian Philatelic Agency.

And speaking of the Philatelic Agency I might point out that on July 11th, 1944 there were eleven varieties of stamp booklets for sale. Right now there are four. This exodus reflets the current interest.

The 1928 booklet combination comes with an uninteresting plain cardboard cover without any printed matter whatever. I have heard comments on this and queries as to why. The answer is that this booklet was designed primarly for rural mail carriers who make constant use of stamp booklets, and who need something that will stand rough usage. Why the practice was discontinued I do not know. This is the only booklet that contains a Five Cent pane.

After reading Bill Stamp's peroration of last month on the sudden selling of obselete revenue stamps by the government, your Old Sleuth Phil S. Holmes accompanied by Dr. Watson recently set out from Baker Street to find out just what was what. After getting the run-around as all true detectiives usually do we finally landed upon the corpus delicti and found the alleged wanton massacre all too true. Did we buy any? We did—but just to help the government.

My mild admonition toward the incoming executive of the C. P. S. as it appeared in my last column really bears some enlargement. F'rinstance when the membership list comes out it should contain more information as to what each member collects. The A.P.S. year book is really an intelligent publication in this regard. If the C. P. S. executive doesn't have this information it should take pains to obtain it. The dead line for publication should be announced beforehand and advertising should be generally solicited from all members and others. Then again—mebby there isn't going to be any list. Which should also be announced if so.

That old Southern Colonel, Nelson S. Bond, tells me that he expects to be in New York till May 19 mending his literary fences. His typewriter will be silent till after that date and all free mint juleps are off till further notice.

Much nonsense has been written about "Seebecks". While these generally frowned-on stamps have nothing whatsoever to do with Canada there are plenty of them about in this fair Dominion. The Seebeck story is a long and sordid one with a few points often overlooked. They really were postage stamps as far as the respective governments were concerned. As far as collectors are concerned Seebecks are not necessarly reprints. In many cases they are remainders. N. F. Seebeck, whose name was given to his own brain child, was a pretty good business man, a philatelist of some renown, and during his somewhat short lifetime circulated in some pretty exclusive circles. Leading philatelic publications of the day carried his advertisments. And after all there are plenty of modern so-called postal issues that smell plenty worse than the Seebecks. Who would have the temerity to suggest that "Souvenir Sheets" were ever intended for post-

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PHILATELIC NEWS FROM ALBERTA

Alberta Clubs can now boast of 100% affiliation with the C.P.S. and our hobby should get a real boost in this Province. Edmonton and Calgary Stamp Collectors Clubs and the Calgary Philatelic Society all went "C.P.S." this winter, and their addition to the National organization is welcomed.

Edmonton S.C. Club, with about 50 members, of whom 14 have joined the parent body, appears to be a very live Club, under the direction of Mr. C. B. Cox, President, and Secretary W. A. Teare.

On April 2nd the President read an interesting paper by the Rev. A. F. Marsh (now of Calgary) on "Newfoundland". On April 16th Mr. Thomas Dodds displayed his fine collection of Rhodesian stamps, and gave a descriptive account of that Colony's early history. All collectors in the Edmonton area should join up at once, and much profit and interest is there for the asking.

Calgary S. C. Club meetings are usually informal, and members are all keen traders. A large volume of private "deals" are made, and beginners will learn much about the art of Philately by getting in on some of these. Information about this Club can be obtained from Mrs. Alice Rushton, the energetic Secretary, and notice of meetings appears in advance in the local Press.

Calgary Philatelic Society appears to be a sort of "secret Society" as notices and reports of their meetings seldom appear in the local papers or elsewhere. Come out of that "shell" soon Calgary P.S. and let us hear from you. How about signing up some of those prospective new members?

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More About The Riel "Essay"

In "Popular Stamps" of February 1944, there appeared an important artilce on "The Riel 'Essay' " by R. A. Jamieson. I submitted this article to the Rev. Dr. D'Eschambault who is one of the members of the "Commission des Sites et des Monuments Historiques du Canada", and who is closely connected with the Archbishop of St. Boniface.

It will be remembered that Mr. Jamieson's article contained, among other things, the following statement:

"In "Canadian Topics" for April, 1943, a paragraph mentioned the so-called Riel stamp. In Jarrett's 1929 B.N.A. book, under "Essays" (No. 19) reference is also made to:—
"An essay for a stamp of the intended new "Republic" was prepared by a member of Louis Riel's Cabinet, and is now, we understand, in the possession of the Catholic Hierarchy, St. Boniface, Manitoba".

Dr. D'Eschambault's letter to me is as follows:

"Mr. I. Pitblado,
Hamilton Bldg.,
Winnipeg.
Dear Mr. Pitblado:

I am returning the "Riel Essay" of Jamieson. I have been unable to secure any information other than that this stamp might be from Spence's Republic of Portage la Prairie. This was suggested by an old-timer whom I consulted. At any rate I have no definite information on the point. I am sure there are no records in our Archives. The "Metis Society" whom I also contacted have no record either.

If I should ever come across anything on the matter, I will gladly let you know. In the meantime, I thank you for your interest.

Yours most sinerely,
(Rev.) Antoine d'Eschambault,
D.D."

It is clear therefore that the "Essay" in question is not in the possession of the "Catholic Hierarchy, St. Boniface, Manitoba".

With regard to the suggestion in Dr. D'Eschambault's letter that the stamp might be from "Spence's Republic of Portage la Prairie", I quote the following from the files of the Winnipeg Free Press, dated March 24th, 1945.

"Forty-five Years Ago—
March 24, 1900
Thomas Spence, one of the most prominent figures in Manitoba's early history, when he had been president of the "Republic of Portage la Prairie", died at Edmonton, where he had been for some years assistant in the registry office."

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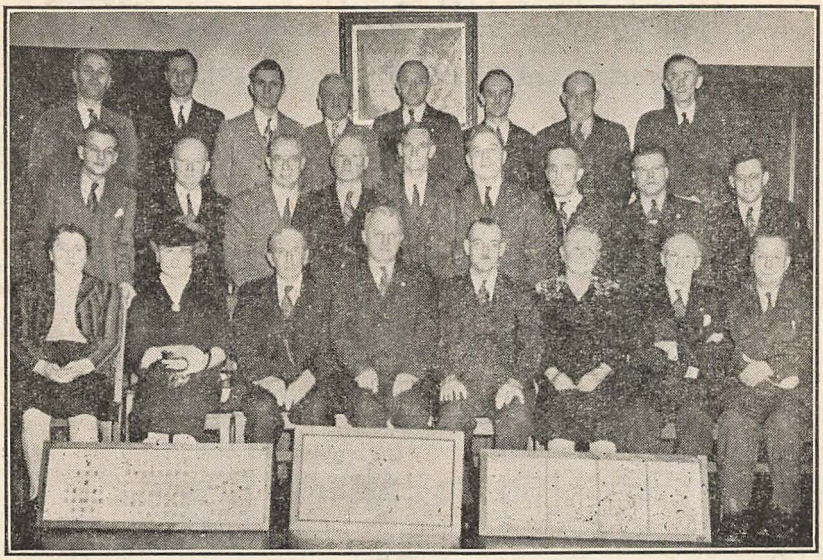

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Lost—Two 3d. Beavers, presumably Saturday afternoon April 14th at the C.P.S. exhibition at the Royal York Hotel. Anyone knowing of them being found kindly contact Mr. A. H. Insley, secretary of the West Toronto Stamp Club, states a paragraph in the club's May Bulletin.

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

The Directors and yours truly wish to thank all the members for placing such confidence in your committee. The Directors have found it necessary to appoint a new treasurer in the person of H. Weiland who will carry on the financial duties as a Hamiltonian is expected to do. Our good worker A. W. Winton will assume the part of an enthusiastic director with an eye on Henry Weiland.

We report a very sucessful annual meeting with splendid reports from all directions and look forward to bigger and better results after we get through another season. The members will have by this reading received a detailed report on the year's results including a finanial statement.

Since writing up last month's "report we welcome the addition of two more clubs into the family, namely, the Calgary Stamp Collector's Club and the British Columbia Philatelic Society. We should be very proud to co-operate in every way with our supporters.

Something you ought to know! We do not publish the fact, but, the Society, through their directors have on a number occasions had the pleasure of assisting and straightening out difficulties and complaints which have come to our attention and in some cases not concerning a C.P.S. member at all. We mention this as a mater of fact to give you an idea the volume of business which comes before your directors at every meeting and the way in which your officers are striving to put your National Society to the front. Let us go out into the new season with a resolve to out-do ourselves. The total memberships must be 750 by March 31, 1946. The future looks good with Hitler tucked away, (we hope for good) and conditions somewhat better, restrictions lifted (may be) and your solid support we can't miss!

CYRIL WOODHEAD, Pres.

C.P.S. ANNUAL MEETING

The annual meeting of the Society was held at the Royal York Hotel in Toronto on April 14, 1945. About one hundred members and friends attended the successful meeting, dinner, exhibition and auction. Out of town members were welcome guests, including A. L. McCready of "Popular Stamps" fame. Exhibition prizes were awarded to Mr. W. P. Carter of North Toronto Club and Miss Miller of West Toronto Club in the class 1 (Canada section). The awards in class 2 (Brit. Empire) were awarded to Mr. Blakeley, East Tor. Club and H. Buckland, Mutual Club, respectively and class 3 (Foreign section) awards were given to Mr. Carter (Nor. Tor. Club) and H. Buckland (Mutual Club). The judges having a little trouble and doing the necessary chores were Ed. Goodale of Hamilton, Ont. Leslie Davenport

of Toronto and Charles Brisley of Detroit, Mich. The grand prize winner was Mr. Carter who retains the "Brisley" trophy for one year. The second highest award was the "Silver Tray" to be retained for one year by Mr. Blakeley.

The dinner was the first held in a number of years and the outcome looks very good for the future. A fifty lot auction was conducted by Walter Bayley, immediately after the dinner, and was attended by several members and their friends. Reports from the meeting indicate a very bright future. The Directors and officers remain the same with one exception, H. Weiland, who will become the new treasurer.

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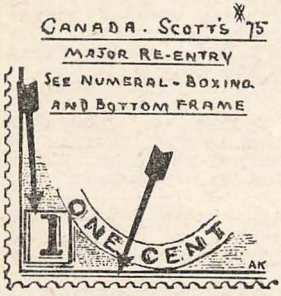
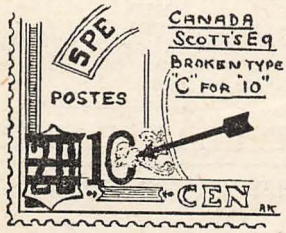


SKETCH 126—Canada Scotts #75 illustrates the major re-entry on the 1c Numeral. Loaned by B. K. Denton & the author.



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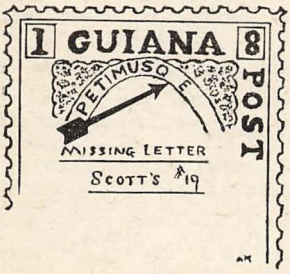

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The executive wishes to thank Mr. R. W. Papineau for his Egyptian display and talk on March 23rd, and Mr. J. Stokes for his Canadian display of errors and varieties on March 30. Both these members put in a lot of work on their collections, and the finished results were extremely interesting and informative.

A highlight of the season was Col. J. R. Hawkins' repeat display of his early Canadians on April 6th. This collection is regarded as one of Canada's finest, and over two hours were consumed in the Colonel's talk on early types of paper, and his magnificent showing of everything from 1851, both mint and used; including a specimen of the 12-penny black.

PROGRAM

May 11—Display, Malta, G.C., Capt. W. H. Talbot.

May 18—Round table discussion on the club collection.

May 25—Season wind-up; fun and frolic, also junior night.

T.S.C.C. NOTES

The Club Auction on April 5th realized $105, a higher figure than has been reached for some time. Keep up the good work. The catalogue auction on April 18th reached $1385.00. On March 29th a grand get together was held at Jim Sissons' home.

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P.O. SLOGAN CANCELLATIONS

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POPULAR STAMPS for April reached us on the 17th. We are writing this on the 21st. In the intervening three days five letters have reached us commenting and offering suggestions for this column. This is certainly a good indication of the great amount of interest taken.

One comment we would like to make: Not one of these letters has assisted us in our main, present object—to make this column 100% complete in regard to new Post Office Slogan Postmarks issued in Canada since the start of the year. Possibly this is because there has been no time to receive correspondence from east of Toronto, where we need the information.

With this month's list we record a number of different types, but know there must be others, and will greatly appreciate assistance in securing information.

We gladly accept the suggestion of Mr. Odell that we separate the number of lines in each slogan. The other suggestions that we describe the "Type" for each town more fully may also be done if the Editor can spare enough space. To do this for this year we will have to start the types at 11 to allow inclusion of earlier types in proper order later.

To follow another suggestion and list slogans issued for certain towns prior to 1945 would be impossible at present. It would make a volume much larger than this magazine and then would not be complete.

We welcome all the lists and information we can get for possible future use and reference, but so far as we are aware no one has yet compiled a complete list for any Town or Type. For instance, we know of four "Philatelic Event" slogans not listed by Holmes and all the lists we have seen of the 1941 "ENLIST NOW" Flag type are incomplete. Therefore we are making every effort to compile a COMPLETE list of all those issued since Jan. 1st, 1945. When we are successful in this, if sufficient interest is taken, we can make additions.

Following, we give a list of slogans used this year that we have knowledge of and indicate by using capitals for Town name that it is a new type for that town.

CONSERVE COAL / SAVE / ONE TON IN FIVE, Charlottetown, London, Quebec (Bi), Toronto, Montreal (Bi).

PAY NO MORE / THAN / CEILING PRICES, Edmonton, Halifax, Montreal (Bi), Regina, Toronto, Vancouver.

EAT RIGHT / FOR HEALTH, Fredericton, Ottawa, Halifax, Montreal, Toronto, Winnipeg.

INVEST IN / POST OFFICE / SAVINGS BANK, Prescott.

OBSERVE / SUNDAY, Type 11, 3 straight lines; Type 12, sunrays; Ty. 13, diamond between two lines type. Galt 11, Vancouver 11, Calgary 12, St. John 12, Fredericton 13, Quebec (Bi).

HELP / THE / RED CROSS, Charlottetown, London, Moncton, Saskatoon.

REGISTER ALL LETTERS OF VALUE, St. Hyacinthe (Bi).

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SAVE TIME / USE AIR MAIL, Amherst.

SAVE TIME / FLY YOUR MAIL, Victoria.

STAMP OUT V.D., HULL (Bi), JOLLIETE (Bi).

USE POST OFFICE / MONEY ORDERS, Fort Erie North.

SAVE TIME / USE AIR MAIL. Outline of aeroplane, Type 11 with spur; Type 12, no spur. Prince Albert 11, Listowel 12, Toronto 12.

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Canadian Censor Marks of the Great War, 1914-18

BY H. E. GUERTIN

While really accurate and complete records should be made only from large amounts of material, the following may be of interest owing to

CENSORED.

(Type L1)

CENSORED.

(Type L2)

CENSORED

(Type 4HS

EXAMINED BY CENSOR

(Type L3)

C. 208

Descripti Custom CENSORED

Date of posting .....191....

(Type 5HS)

CENSORED.

(Type 6HS)

CENSORED

(Type 7HS)

OPENED BY CENSOR.

6 621

(Type Lx)

PASSED BY CENSOR 012.

(Siberia, 1)

E80

P.C.

(Archangel, 1)

PASSED BY Nº 3148 CENSOR

(Type 2)

PASSED BY CENSOR Nº 2481

(Type 3)

PASSED FIELD CENSOR 3067

(Type 4)

PASSED FIELD CENSOR 5841

(Type 5)

PASSED BY CENSOR No. 99

(Type 6)

PASSED BY CENSOR No. 0240

(Type 8)

AFW 3312

EXAMINED BY BASE CENSOR

BSO-BM 229/49/3.10/15.

(Type 10, L)
(Red on White)

the fillip which the present war has given to the collecting of censored covers. It is not known whether the subject of these Canadian types has been touched upon before; if so, we shall be glad to learn of it, and also of items not dealt with herein. Absolutely no information is obtainable from the postal authorities, so that the types described are based upon covers in the writer's collection. The word "Postal" is really a misnomer as applied to censorship, for the Post Office is expressly forbidden to open letters except under rare conditions. The work comes under special departments.

The labels are all of white paper with black lettering except in one case, as noted. The earliest observed was in 1915, the label being 40x90mm with letters 7mm high. (Type L1). The next was slighlty smaller—36x90mm with letters 4.5mm high (Type L2). Though the early specimens seem to lack numbers, such appeared shortly after,—various control numbers being applied in script, or by means of rubber handstamps in coloured inks, often tying the label. Numbers as high as 527 and 861 were encountered on these labels. Lower numbers are always noted in conjunction with a pair of letters which evidently denote the city or censoring point. Examples are: HX, SJ, QC, OA, EN, WR, CY, TO, HN, LN, VR. These occur with types L1 and L2.

The last type to appear, (Type L3) in 1918-19, was a larger label, 60x90mm, with "EXAMINED BY CENSOR" and the number printed in the lower right hand corner, such as "C. 235". As high as No. 476 has been seen on these labels, and were used to seal one end of the envelope, whereas previously the labels had been often stuck over the flap of the envelope, much as though it had been handed in unsealed or had been steamed open for examination.

Another type of label was often noted on outgoing mail only, which was probably British, but bore a pencilled number such as "C.186". A guess may be hazarded that British censors operated somewhere in the neighbourhood on mail from the U. S. (Type Lx). These bore a slightly different legend: "OPENED BY/ CENSOR" without any number except as described; another kind carried the usual British number to lower left, which had been obliterated, and a "C" added.

Concurrently, at least four handstamps of varying type were in operation, reading "CENSORED" and were applied in various coloured inks. These were most often observed on bank mail (Type 6HS). In one case the handstamp was used in conjunction with a portion of a current Customs Declaration gummed label to make an interesting piece.

In addition to the customary postal censoring of Canadian soldiers' letters, purely military censor marks were to be seen during the Great War. These were the British Field Censor marks, as listed by many, (see Hunt, the War Cover Philatelist, Vol. 2, No. 12, 1939. The very early type was obsolete before the C.E.F. arrived in the battle areas, but types 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, and 10 (label) may all be observed. In addition, one from Siberia and one from Archangel (North Russia) are listed as occurring on Canadian mail from those places.

MUTUAL'S ANNUAL LADIES' NIGHT

With an attendance of 33 members and guests, the Mutual Stamp Club, Toronto, held its Annual Dinner and Ladies' Night at the Alps Restaurant. These included members of the Mutual and their ladies, members of the Stamp Guild and their ladies and also the Toronto Directors of the C.P.S. and their ladies. After dinner, Harvey Dobbs and his "Did I Say That" program came and quizzed six of the party and some money was won for the questions asked. H. Buckland proposed a toast from the Guild to the Mutual which was responded to by W. J. Cafley. Bert Nicolle proposed a toast to the Ladies and Visitors and Mrs. D. R. Ward responded. Dudley Ward gave a toast from the Mutual to the C.P.S. and C. Woodhead, C.P.S. president replied. The C.P.S. then took over, with C. Woodhead in charge. Murray Sumner, the magician from North Toronto next held the crowd's interest with his magic tricks. Feature of the evening was the presentation from the Mutual to its retired president, Bill Cafley, of a beautiful illuminated address in esteem of his leadership and devotion to the club during the ten years he had held office as president. Jim Magee, the new president, made the presentation. Thanks were given to Wm. Howard, the club artist, for the beautiful work he had done on the address. Bill was recently made Honorary Life President of the Mutual.

CANADIAN TOPICS

(Continued from Page 8)

al purposes? Seebeck operated under the name of the Hamilton Bank Note Company. His chief backer was Gustave B. Calman, of New York, who for a period of the 'Nineties dominated the wholesale stamp trade, and who also for a period was a trustee of the American Philatelic Society. His brother, Henry Calman, was a principal of the Scott Stamp and Coin Co. of those days.

LETTER TO EDITOR

Toronto, April 16th, 1945.

Dear Mr. McCready,

I have just received the April issue of Popular Stamps, and I see that Mr. Konwiser has forwarded to you, in condensed form, my recent letter to him on the postal history of Toronto, York, etc. Before you are deluged with letters on the matter the date of opening of the York Post Office should obviously be 1799, not 1779 as given in the article.

The main reason for this letter, however, is to be found in the 'Rambling Notes' written by F. Walter Pollock, in the section commenting on Dr. Whitehead's article on the ½c Leaf Issue of 1897. I would like to say that Dr. Whitehead's article was most excellent in every way, including the statements on the 'states' of the plate.

There were actually two states of the plate itself, although the variation in the plate inscriptioon might be described as splitting the first state into two sections. Of the first type (one imprint only for the 200 subject plate) Clifton Howes in his 'Canada Postage Stamps' states 500 impressions were made.

Sometime during the life of the plate it became sufficiently worn that it had to be re-entered completely, using the transfer roll to re-cut the impressions more sharply into the plate. There is ample evidence to prove this was done. Nor is this particularly stamp an anomaly in this regard—among the stamps of Canada. R. W. T. Lees-Jones in his investigation of the 12½c 1859 finally determined that the whole plate was re-entered as described above, at about the 16th printing. Senator Calder has also demonstrated that there was almost certainly only two plates used in the printing of the 5c 1859 Beaver, but that each plate was completely re-entered at least twice and possibly three times.

I have some evidence to show this was also done during the regime of the 'Small Cents' issue.

From the foregoing Dr. Whitehead is, I believe, quite correct when he used the term 'states of the plate'. Yours sincerely.—B. K. Denton.

NEW ISSUES

By Red Eagle

The following New Issues are reported from Toronto.

EGYPT—10 mil Birthday Stamp of King Farouk in deep violet.

FRANCE—A new air mail 1.50f by 3.50f in pale violet.

GREENLAND—A new pictorial set of nine bi-colored stamps.

HAITI—A Red Cross issue of 6 regular postage and 7 air mail.

ICELAND—Additional values 10 and 25 aur and 1 and 10 K R.

LUXEMBURG—A set of four stamps "Thanks to the Allies" in English Russian and French.

POLAND—A commemorative of the Warsaw uprising 1zt x 2zt. Reported scarce.

VENEZUELA—An air mail set of ten different stamps.

V. I. P. S. OFFICERS

The Vancouver Island Philatelic Society was founded in 1931, Mr. J. K. Hodges Manager of the Empress Hotel, who was largely responsible for its inception.

Meetings are held on the second Thursday of each month at the Empress Hotel, and there are about 80 members including 14 out of town.

The following are the officers for the current year:—

Hon. Pres., J. K. Hodges; Pres. and Circuit Mgr., V. N. Bigwood; Vice Pres. and Auctioneer, R. M. Angus; Sec-Treas., Major Sam Henson; Monthly Bulletin, R. Nairne; Auditor, A. B. McNeil; Directors, Miss Jean Roberts and R. G. Carley.

"Toward United Nations April 25, 1945" is the inscription on the U.S. San Francisco Conferernce commemorative stamp.

Mr. Deaville Given Honour

A. Stanley Deaville, Superintendent of the Postage Stamp Division in the Post Office Department at Ottawa, was recently elected a Fellow of the Royal Philatelic Society of London, England, in acknowledgement of his contributions to the study of British-North American philately. One of Mr. Deaville's duties is the direction of Canada's philatelic bureau, which has earned wide praise in the philatelic press as the best of its kind.—**March Canadian Geographical Journal.**

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